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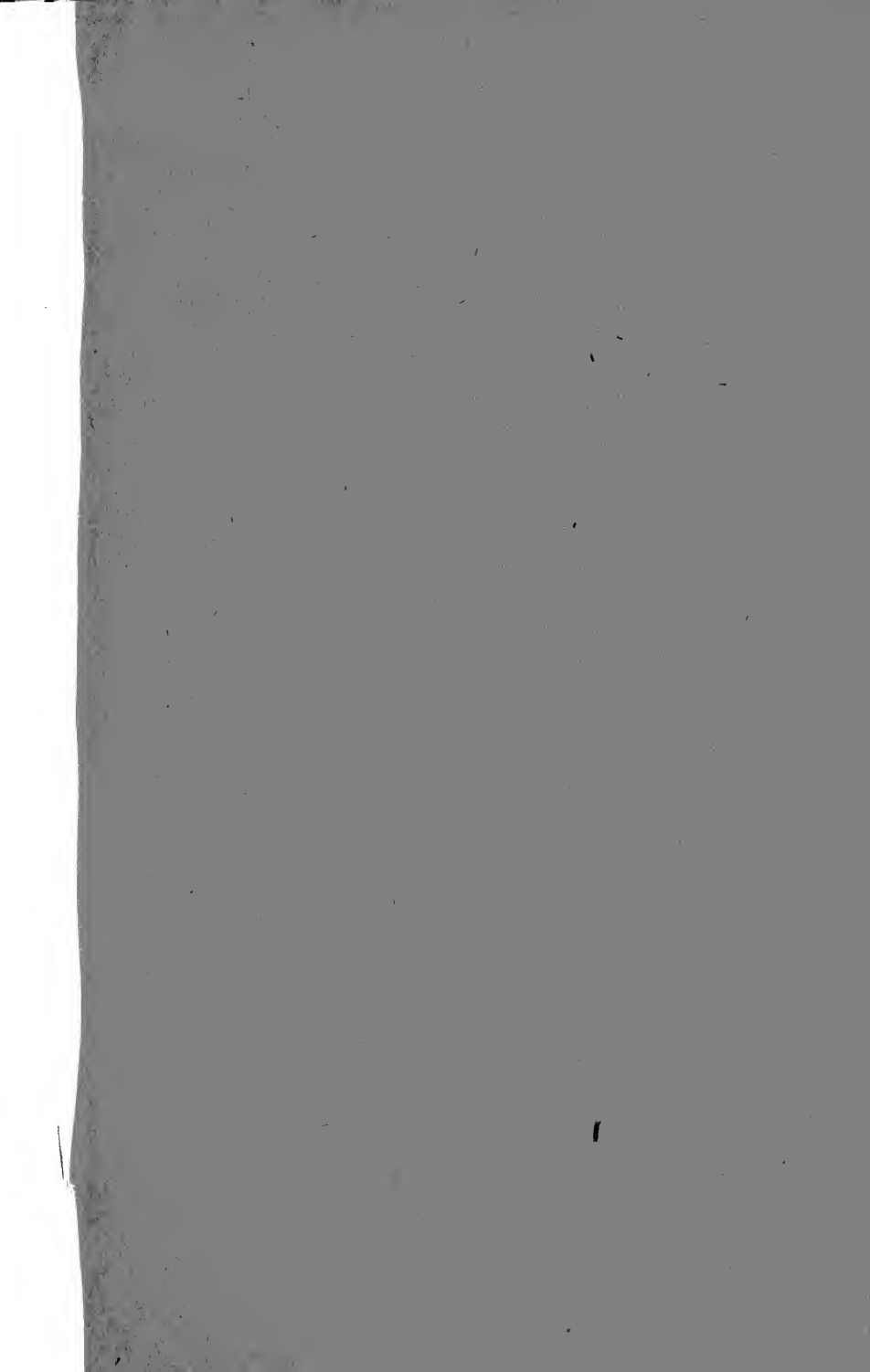
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"No employment, my lord.  
A marginal note in the muster book, that  
A voluntary lord."

—THE DUCHESS

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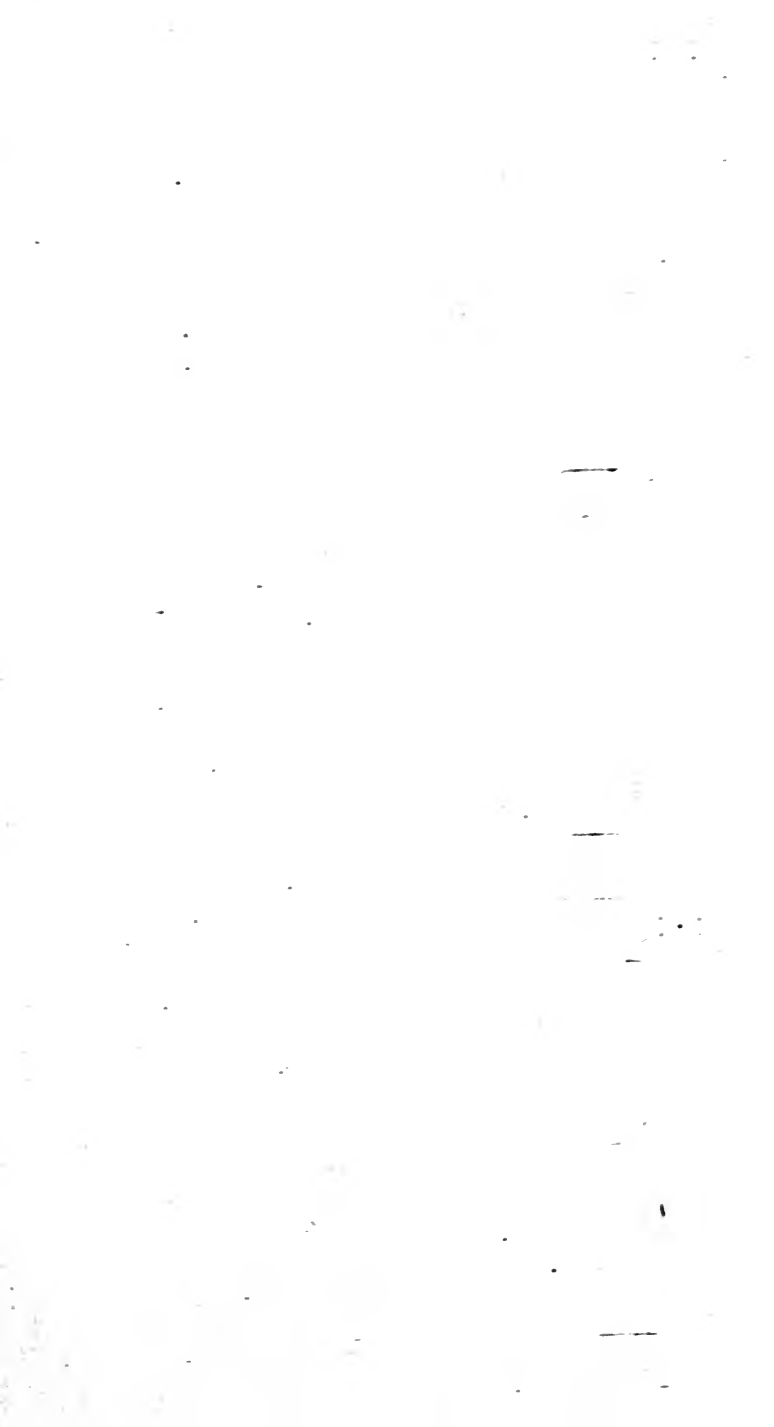
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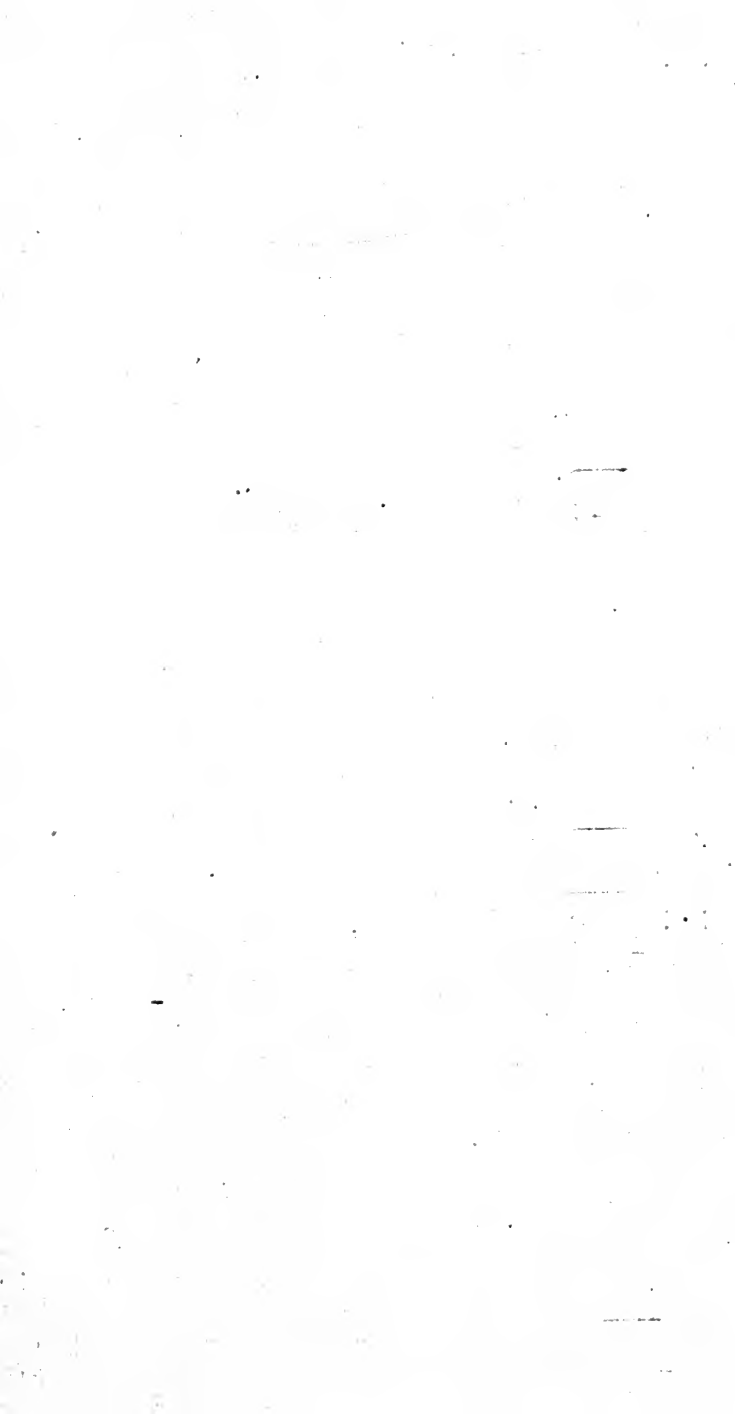
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**O saisons, ô châteaux!**



## **I: IN WINTER**



**MYSELF**

**Pale mornings, and  
I rise.**



**STILL MORNING**

**Snow air — my fingers curl.**

## AWAKENING

New snow, O pine of dawn!

## WINTER ECHO

Thin air! My mind is gone.

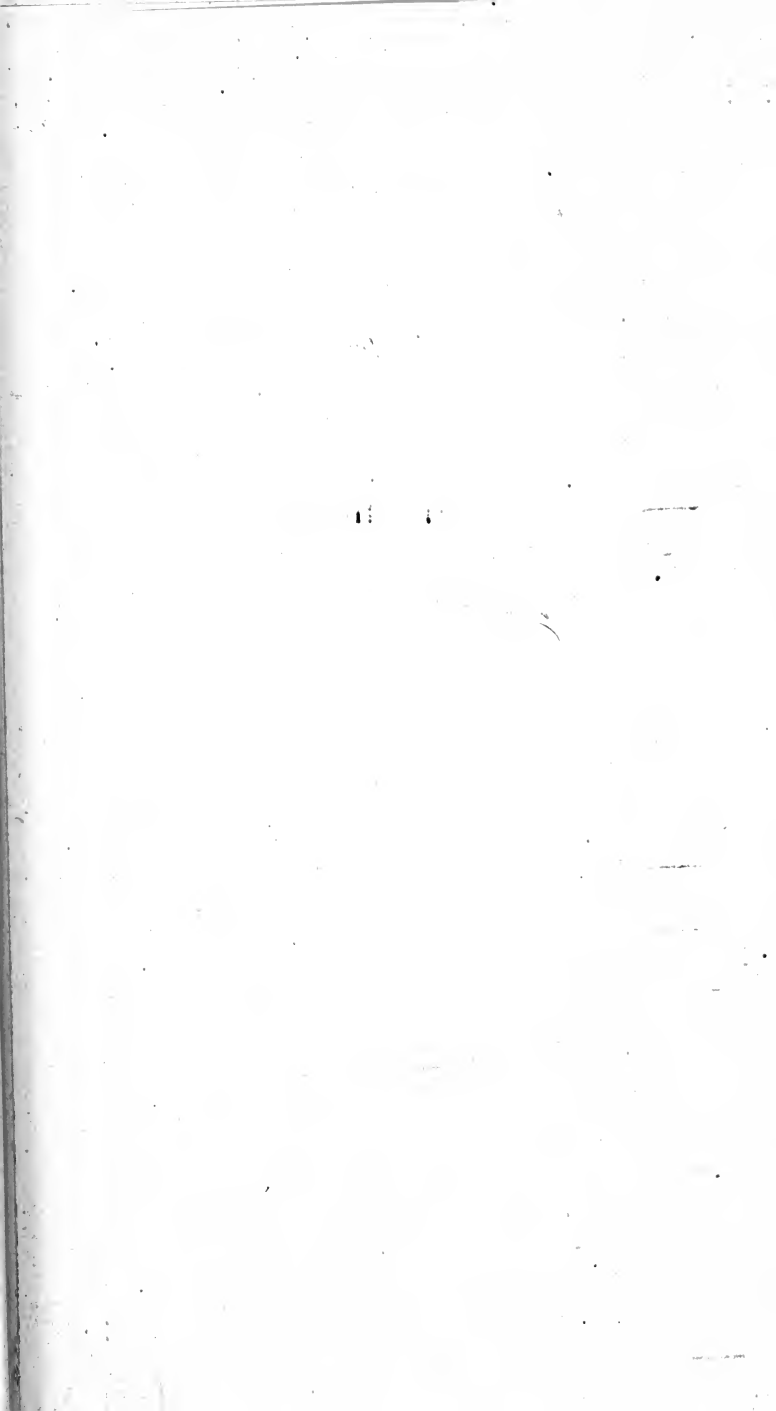
## **THE HUNTER**

**Run! in the magpie's shadow.**

**NO BEING**

**I, bent. : Thin nights receding.**

## II: IN SPRING



## **SPRING**

**I walk out the world's door.**



**MAY**

**Oh, evening in my hair!**

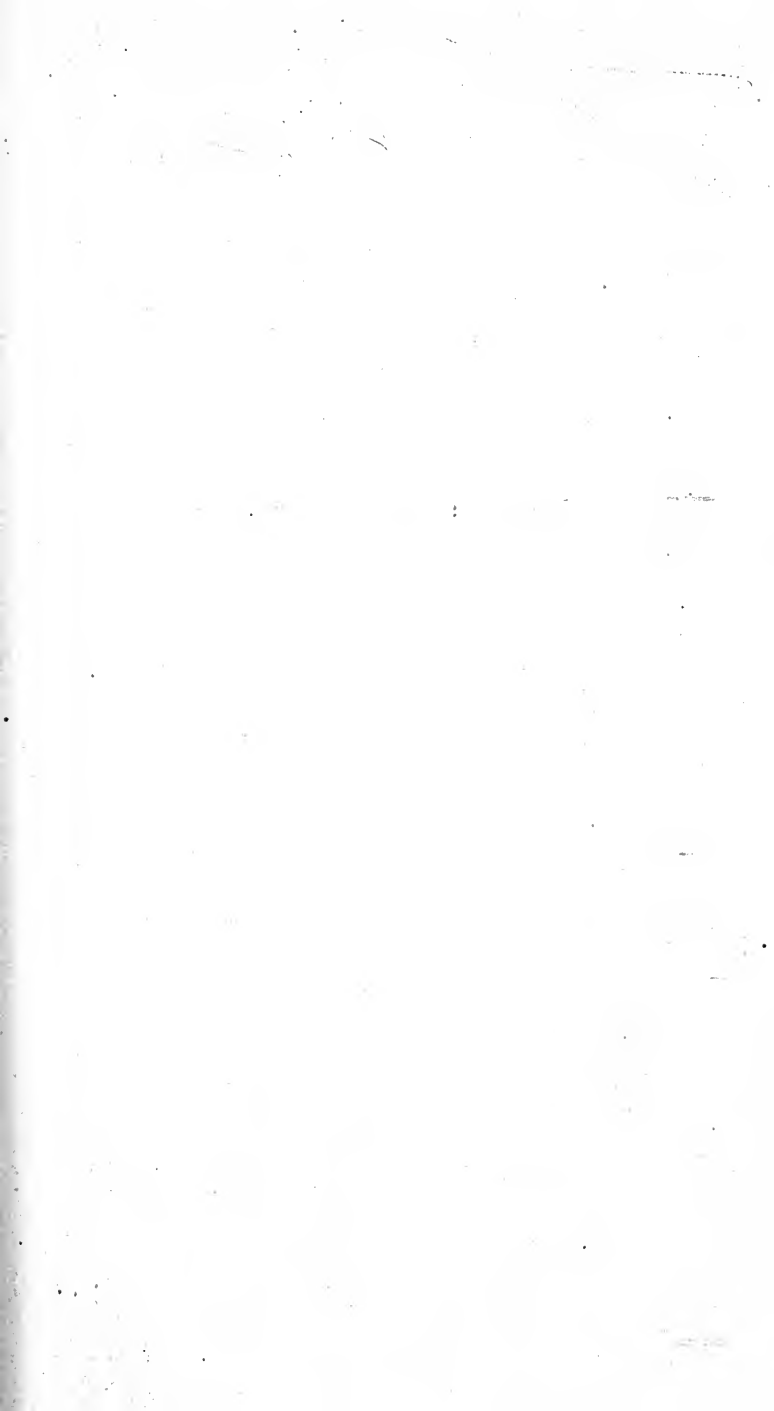
**SPRING RAIN**

**My doorframe smells of leaves.**

**SONG**

**Why should I stop  
for spring?**

### **III: IN SUMMER AND AUTUMN**



**SUNRISE**

**Pale bees! — Oh, whither now?**

**FIELDS.**

**I did not pick  
a flower.**

AT EVENING

Like leaves my feet passed by.



COOL NIGHTS

At night bare feet on flowers!

**SLEEP**

**Like winds my eyelids close.**

**THE ASPEN'S SONG**

**The summer holds me here.**

**THE WALKER**

**In dream, my feet are still.**

**BLUE MOUNTAIN**

**A deer walks that mountain.**

**GOD OF ROADS**

**I, peregrine of noon.**

**SEPTEMBER**

**Faint gold! O think not here!**







## **A DEER**

**The trees rose in the dawn.**

**MAN IN DESERT**

**His feet run as eyes blink.**





**DESERT**

**The tented autumn, gone!**

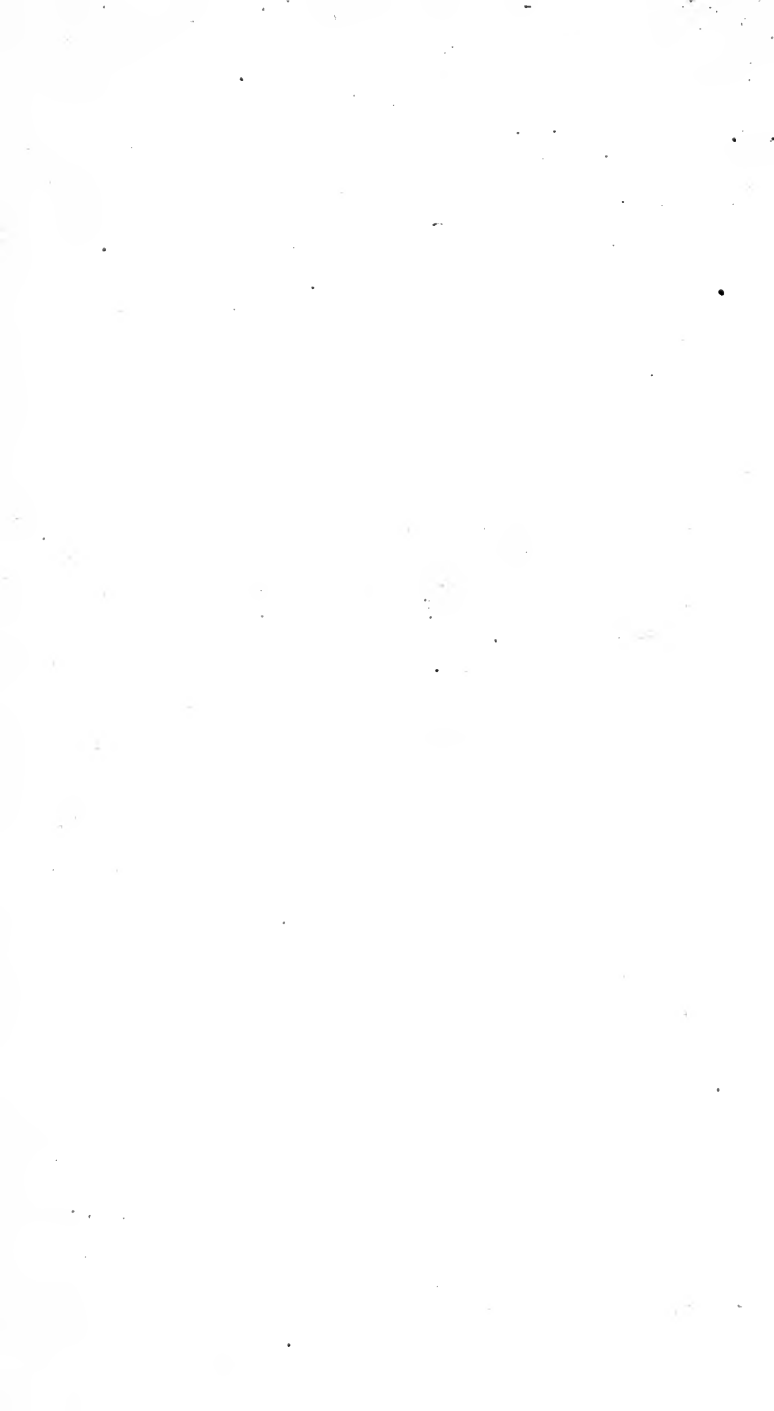
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**Dawn rose, and desert shrunk.**













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